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Docket No.: 12680-US-PA

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Examiner: Warren, Mathew E  
Group Art Unit: 2815

In re PATENT APPLICATION of  
Applicants : Erh-Kun Lai

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Serial No. : 10/708,372

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**AMENDMENT**For : Shallow Trench Isolation And  
Method Of Forming The Same

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No fee is believed to be due. However, the Commissioner is authorized to  
charge any fees required in connection with the filing of this paper to account  
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**AMENDMENTS AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Crystal Plaza Two, Lobby, Room 1B03  
Arlington, Virginia 22202

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated December 1, 2004, Applicants respectfully  
submit the following Amendments and Remarks.

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Applicant : Lai  
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Arlington, Virginia 22202

Dear Sir,

In response to the Office Action dated December 1, 2004(Paper No.: 20041124), please find the *Amendments and Response to Office Action*, in 10 pages.

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Thank you for your assistance in the subject matter. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully Submitted,  
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